information concerning the notice of meeting reach Lieutenant Joe Paitl or Ensign Chris O'Neal, (G–MOC–3), 2100 Second St, SW, Washington, DC 20593– 0001, telephone 202–267–0507 or 202– 267–2008, or electronic mail Gpaitl@comdt.uscg.mil or Co'neal@comdt.uscg.mil.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Request for Comments**

We encourage interested persons to participate in this information-gathering initiative by submitting written data, views, or other relevant documents. Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses, and identify this notice (USCG-2000-6942) by the date and give the reasons for each comment. You may submit your comments and material by mail, delivery, fax, or electronic means to the Docket Management Facility at the address under ADDRESSES, but please submit your comments and material by only one means. Please submit all comments and attachments in an unbound format, no larger than 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> x 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing to the DOT Docket Management Facility at the address under ADDRESSES. If you want acknowledgement of receipt of your comments, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed post card or envelope. Comments received, whether submitted in writing to the docket or presented during the regional listening sessions, will be considered in refining the CFVSAP.

## Background

In response to the alarming number of deaths in the fishing industry, the Coast Guard chartered a Task Force to identify ways to improve safety. The Task Force examined fishing vessel casualties in the context of historical data, reviewed the Coast Guard's existing Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Program, reviewed past safety recommendations, and provided quick feedback to the fishing industry by recommending measures believed to have the greatest potential for reducing loss of life and property. The Task Force completed a report containing safety recommendations in March 1999 and presented the report to the Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Advisory Committee (CFIVAC) and Coast Guard District Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinators. The Task Force report is available at http://www.get.to/ thefishingreport or from Commandant (G-MOA), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, 202-267-1430. The Coast Guard consolidated the

Task Force recommendations commonly supported by both the CFIVAC and the District Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinators and subsequently developed the CFVSAP. The CFVSAP was presented at the October 4-5, 1999, meeting of the CFIVAC. The CFIVAC agreed with the concepts presented in the CFVSAP. Also, the CFIVAC agreed with the Coast Guard that holding regional listening sessions would result in valuable input from a larger segment of the fishing industry. By publication of this notice, the Coast Guard is seeking further feedback from fisherman on the CFVSAP. The CFVSAP is available at http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/advisory/ cfivac/fishexpo99.pdf or from Commandant (G-MOC), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, 202-267-2008.

## **Objective and Issues**

The objective of the regional listening sessions and the request for comments is to receive information from the general public and the fishing industry pertaining to the CFVSAP and other possible safety issues affecting the fishing industry. The Coast Guard wishes to identify ways to improve safety in the fishing industry.

The Coast Guard is specifically interested in information pertaining to the following:

The most critical safety issues in your region.

Ways the Coast Guard might better communicate with the fishing industry.

Ways the Coast Guard might assist in improving safety in the fishing industry.

Ways the fishing industry might improve its safety record without Coast Guard or other government involvement.

The minimum level of training that should be considered in a training-based certificate program.

The most safety-beneficial composition of a vessel examination program.

Whether the Territorial Sea Baseline is the best reference parameter for setting certain safety equipment carriage requirements.

### Format of Regional Listening Sessions

Each listening session will follow a presentation by the Coast Guard on the CFVSAP. After the presentation the audience will have an opportunity to comment on the specifics of the CFVSAP. The Coast Guard will then present a list of standardized issues similar to those contained in Objectives and Issues and then open the listening session to general comments from the audience.

## Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meetings, reach LT Paitl or ENS O'Neal where noted in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT as soon as possible.

Dated: March 10, 2000.

#### R.C. North,

Rear Admiral, Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety and Environmental Protection. [FR Doc. 00–6545 Filed 3–15–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–15–U

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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

[Summary Notice No. PE-2000-09]

# Petitions for Exemption; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of petitions for exemption received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for exemption (14 CFR part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions seeking relief from specified requirements of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR chapter I), dispositions of certain petitions previously received, and corrections. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition. **DATES:** Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received on or before April 3, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rule Docket (AGC– 200), Petition Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: 9-NPRM-cmts@faa.gov.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC–200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267–3132.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cherie Jack (202) 267–7271 or Terry Stubblefield (202) 267–7624, Office of Rulemaking (ARM–1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (c), (e), and (g) of § 11.27 of part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

Issued in Washington, D.C. on March 13, 2000.

# Michael E. Chase,

Acting Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

# **Petitions for Exemption**

Docket No.: 29883. Petitioner: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical

University. Section of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR

61.65(a)(1).

Description of Relief Sought: To permit students enrolled in ERAUs Advanced General Aviation Transport Experiments (AGATE) Modified Intergrated Curriculum (AGATE III) to take concurrently the private pilot practical test and the instrument rating practical test.

## **Dispositions of Petitions**

Docket No.: 29103. Petitioner: Era Helicopters. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Era to operate three Sikorsky S–61N helicopters (Registration Nos. N561EH, N562EH, and N563EH; Serial Nos. 61471, 61257, and 61808, respectively) without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6712B. Docket No.: 29109.

*Petitioner:* Mobil Business Resources Corporation.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit MBRC to operate its Sikorsky S–76A helicopters under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6788A. Docket No.: 28855.

*Petitioner:* Offshore Logistics, Inc. *Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Offshore to operate 10 Bell 212 helicopters, 2 Bell 214ST helicopters, 7 Bell 412 helicopters, and 7 Sikorsky S–76A helicopters under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6714B. Docket No.: 28905.

*Petitioner:* Petroleum Helicopters, Inc. *Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit PHI to operate three Bell 212 helicopters (Registration Nos. N1074C, N5009N, and N5736D; Serial Nos. 30989, 30915, and 31135, respectively), two Bell 214ST helicopters (Registration Nos. N59805 and N59806, Serial Nos. 28141 and 28140, respectively), three Bell 412 helicopters (Registration Nos. N2014K, N2258f, and N3893L; Serial Nos. 33020, 33073, and 33006, respectively), and one Bell 412SP helicopter (Registration No. N142PH, Serial No. 33150) under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6713D. Docket No.: 29142.

Petitioner: Geo-Seis Helicopters, Inc. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Geo-Seis to operate one Bell 212 helicopter (Registration No. N49678, Serial No. 30743) under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on the helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6785A. Docket No.: 29174.

*Petitioner:* Hawaii Helicopters, Inc. *Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit HHI to operate its Sikorsky S–61N helicopter (U.S. Registration No. N29111, Serial No. 61711) and its Sikorsky S–76A helicopter (Canadian Registration No. C–CHJG, Serial No. 760015) under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6789.

Docket No.: 29172. Petitioner: Heli-Jet Corporation. Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Heli-Jet to operate five Bell 212 helicopters under part 135 without an approved digital flight data recorder installed on each helicopter.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 6796A.

Docket No.: 27867. Petitioner: Department of the Navy, United States Marine Corps.

Sections of the FAR Affected: 14 CFR 91.209 (a) and (b).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To continue to permit USMC to conduct helicopter nightvision flight device training operations without lighted aircraft position lights. GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 5978C.

Docket No.: 29759.

*Petitioner:* Aviation Ventures, Inc., doing business as Vision Air.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 135.152(a).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To permit Vision Air to operate up to 10 Dornier 228 (DO228) airplanes under part 135 without the required digital flight data recorder (DFDR) until the FAA can amend § 135.152(k) to permanently except the DO229 airplane from the requirements of § 135.152.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 7009A. Docket No.: 29820.

*Petitioner:* Bombardier Completion Centre, Inc.

*Sections of the FAR Affected:* 14 CFR 25.785(b).

Description of Relief Sought/ Disposition: To exempt Bombardier from the requirements of § 25,785(b), for the general occupant protection requirements for occupants of multiple place side-facing seats that are occupied during takeoff and landing for Bombardier Global Model BD–7001A10 airplanes manufactured prior to January 1, 2004.

GRANT, 1/31/00, Exemption No. 7120.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Federal Aviation Administration** 

# Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting on Emergency Evacuation Issues

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The notice announces a public meeting of the FAA's Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) to discuss emergency evacuation (EE) issues.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2000, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Arrange for oral presentations by March 24.

**ADDRESSES:** Renton, WA. You may contact the person identified under the